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ADAPTIVE MULTI-CULTURAL  
SEARCHING AND MATCHING  
OF PERSONAL NAMES**

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**Preliminary Amendment**

Sir:

Before examination of the above-referenced patent application, Applicants submit the following amendments.

***Amendments***

Kindly enter the following amendments.

***In the Specification***

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, please replace the first paragraph with the following paragraph:

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